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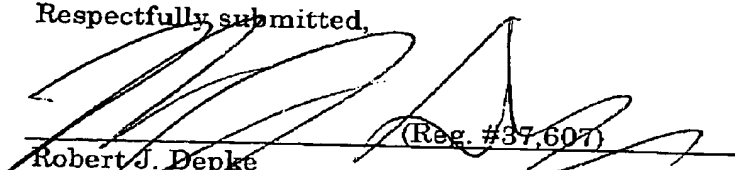
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In response to the Restriction Requirement dated August 23 2006, Applicants elect, with traverse the claims of group I, claims 50-87 and claims 90-91, drawn to a polishing apparatus. Applicants therefore withdraw from prosecution in the above-identified application, claims 88-89, drawn to a plating method, but reserve herein the right to prosecute such claims in a later filed continuation or divisional applications.

Applicants note that claims 1-49 were previously cancelled in the preliminary Amendment.

Applicants therefore await consideration and examination of elected claims 50-87 and 90-91, and respectfully request consideration on the merits in due course.

Respectfully submitted,

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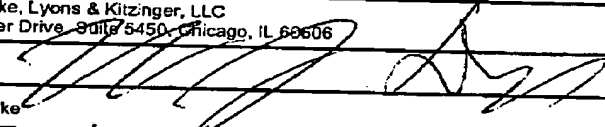
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